

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of Catalina Explorer Co., Inc., a California corporation (VCC-74), to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and to extend its operating authority to include scheduled service for the transportation of persons and baggage between Long Beach on the one hand and all points and places on Santa Catalina Island on the other hand.

Application 01-11-007
(Filed November 8, 2001)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING SETTING
TELEPHONIC STATUS CONFERENCE ON MAY 28, 2002**

Catalina Explorer Co., Inc. (Explorer) seeks amendment of its operating authority to permit it to provide scheduled service between Long Beach and all points on Santa Catalina Island. Objections to the application have been filed by Catalina Channel Express, Inc. (Express), which currently provides service between Long Beach and Santa Catalina Island, among other points.

This ruling sets a telephonic status conference to be conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, 2002. The undersigned Administrative Law Judge will place the call to Explorer counsel James C. Brady (562-434-8843) and counsel for Express, Edward J. Hegarty (530-333-4900).

The following questions, among others, will be considered during the status conference:

1. Does Express oppose the grant of authority sought by Explorer, or does it seek to have the Commission impose certain conditions on the grant of authority?

2. If Express seeks conditions on the grant of authority, what specific conditions does it propose?
3. Are there material issues of fact in dispute? What are they?
4. Is a hearing necessary, or may the Commission now issue a proposed decision based on the application and comments of the parties?
5. What further information, if any, should the Commission have before it in order to issue a proposed decision?

IT IS RULED that a telephonic status conference between the Administrative Law Judge, counsel for Catalina Explorer Co., Inc., and counsel for Catalina Channel Express, Inc. will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, 2002.

Dated May 20, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ Glen Walker
Glen Walker
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Telephonic Status Conference on May 28, 2002 on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 20, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ Antonina V. Swansen
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